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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2006, Applicants elect Group I, including claims 1-6, 11-30, 31-34, 35-53, 54-62, 63-71 and 75 drawn to a method of treating a serious psychotic mental illness comprising administering a combination of (i) an α2-adrenergic receptor antagonist and (ii) and atypical antipsychotic neuroleptic, without traverse. In addition in response to the additional species election, Applicants elect (i) α2-adrenergic receptor antagonists and (ii) atypical antipsychotic neuroleptics to be examined on the merits, without traverse. The Applicants further elect idazoxan as the α2-adrenergic receptor antagonist and olanzapine as the typical antipsychotic neuroleptic to be examined on the merits, without traverse.

This response is due on or before October 27, 2006. Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 26811-010.

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